

METHOD OF ASSEMBLING A MODULAR TURRET CAGE FOR A CAPPING MACHINE

Cross-Reference to Related Application

[0001] This application is a division of United States Application Serial No.

10/151,284, filed May 20, 2002 which claims the benefit of United States Provisional
Application Serial No. 60/333,611, filed November 27, 2001, entitled "Modular Turret

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Cage For A Capping Machine", which is incorporated herein in its entirety.

Background of the Invention

1. Field of the Invention

[0002] The present invention relates to capping machines for applying caps to containers, such as beverage, food, and water containers, and, more particularly, to a modular turret cage for use with such machines.

2. Description of the Prior Art

[0003] Capping machines are used in the art to apply caps to containers, such as beverage, food, and water containers. For example, capping machines are used to apply plastic or metal caps to plastic, glass, and metal containers. Containers for beverages, food, and water are often provided as bottles and may have wide bottle openings or narrow bottle openings. Capping machines must be able to apply caps to both "wide mouth" and "narrow mouth" bottles.

[0004] Capping machines known in the art generally include capping turrets that are used to apply the caps to the bottles. Capping turrets presently used in the art are